

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1572 - SB 2519

March 1, 2018

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires notice be filed with the Historical Commission prior to initiation of a suit regarding the termination or disposal of land on which a cemetery is located. Requires the Historical Commission to establish a Historic Cemetery Advisory Committee (HCAC) for the purpose of studying protections and preservation efforts for cemeteries of historical importance. Requires, by December 1, 2020 and every five years thereafter, the HCAC to submit a report, including recommendations for legislative action, to the Historical Commission.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures – \$32,000/One-Time
\$54,300/Recurring**

Assumptions:

- The posting of notices and reports on the Historical Commission's website can be accomplished within existing resources.
- The Historical Commission does not currently possess data regarding historical cemeteries located statewide; therefore the Historical Commission will need to contract with a third party to conduct a statewide survey of historical cemeteries and establish information regarding such properties.
- The one-time increase in state expenditures associated with such contract is estimated to be \$25,000.
- In order to assist with compiling data on suits, historical cemeteries, local zoning, and preservation laws statewide, the Historical Commission will require an additional staff person.
- The recurring increase in state expenditures for salary, benefits, supplies and travel reimbursement associated with hiring additional staff is estimated to be \$54,267 (\$38,460 salary + \$13,307 benefits + \$2,500 supplies and travel).
- The one-time increase in state expenditures associated with purchase of office furniture and computer needs is estimated to be \$7,000.
- The total one-time increase in state expenditures for a third party contract and supplies is estimated to be \$32,000 (\$25,000 contract + \$7,000 supplies).

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IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The proposed language establishes an advisory commission within the Historical Commission; therefore any impact to commerce in Tennessee is estimated to be not significant.
- The proposed legislation will result in one job being created within the Historical Commission; however, any overall impact on jobs in Tennessee is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Krista M. Lee". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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